

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Previously Presented) A refrigerating apparatus in which a refrigerant circuit which performs a vapor compression refrigerating cycle is provided with an oil return passageway through which refrigerating machine oil separated on the discharge side of at least one compressor is injected into the suction side of said at least one compressor, comprising:

a liquid injection passageway through which liquid refrigerant is injected into the suction side of said at least one compressor,

wherein said oil return passageway is connected directly to said liquid injection passageway in which gas refrigerant in said oil return passageway is mixed with said liquid refrigerant prior to injecting into the suction side of said at least one compressor.

2. (Previously Presented) A refrigerating apparatus in which a refrigerant circuit which performs a vapor compression refrigerating cycle is provided with a gas injection passageway through which gas refrigerant is injected into the suction side of at least one compressor, comprising:

a liquid injection passageway through which liquid refrigerant is injected into the suction side of said at least one compressor,

wherein said gas injection passageway is connected directly to said liquid injection passageway in which gas refrigerant in said gas injection passageway is mixed with said liquid refrigerant prior to injecting into the suction side of said at least one compressor.

3. (Previously Presented) The refrigerating apparatus of either claim 1 or claim 2, comprising:

a heat source side unit and utilization side units, said units being connected with one another,

wherein the degree of superheat of suction refrigerant of said at least one compressor is controlled by adjusting the rate of flow of refrigerant flowing through said liquid injection passageway without operating expansion mechanisms provided in said utilization side units.

4. (Currently Amended) The refrigerating apparatus of claim 3,

wherein said at least one compressor is a variable displacement compressor,

wherein said liquid injection passageway is opened whenever the operating capacity of said at least one compressor exceeds a predetermined value.

5. (Previously Presented) The refrigerating apparatus of claim 3,

wherein said at least one compressor is deactivated until the operating capacity of said at least one compressor exceeds a predetermined value.